Second Member of Council.—

We shall remind the Deputy Commissioners and get it as soon as possible.

BY MR. K. P. PARASIVIAH (Kankanhalli Municipality).—

Q.—46. Will the Government be pleased to state what is :—

(*a*) The amount spent till now for the construction of the portion of the Maralavadi Tank in Kankanhalli Taluk.

(*b*) The balance of amount required for its completion.

(*c*) The time required for the work being completed.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—46. (*a*) Rs. 2,61,090.

(*b*) Rs. 4,34,382.

(*c*) It has not been possible to take up this work owing to financial stringency as the period of completion depends on the grant that can be made available.

Supplementary Question.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah.—

From the reply to section (*a*) it is clear that a sum of Rs. 2½ lakhs has been spent on the tank. Will not the amount already spent be wasted if the tank is left uncared for at the stage when it is half completed ?

Dewan-President.—

Quite so.

BY MR. S. THONTARYA (Devanhalli Taluk).—

Q.—47. Will the Government be pleased to give information on the following :—

(*a*) The amount provided for the awarding of backward class scholarships.

(*b*) The amount set apart to each district.

(*c*) The number of schools that have received such scholarships.

(*d*) The number of schools that have not received such scholarships.

(*e*) The reason for not granting such scholarships to these schools.

(*f*) The communities to which the recipients of the scholarships belonged.

(*g*) What is the amount of scholarships paid to each community ?

(*h*) Have any steps been taken to distribute the backward class scholarships castewar ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—47. (*a*) Rs. 77,688.

(*b*) Distribution is not by districts.

(*c*), (*d*) and (*e*) Scholarships are not allotted according to schools but on the basis of communities or groups of communities, in proportion to their total population in the State.

(*f*) and (*g*) *Vide* reply to Interpellation No. 30 (*c*) and (*d*).

(*h*) Scholarships are distributed according to communities (castes).

BY MR. G. K. BALIJA (Balija Sangham, Bangalore City).—

Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to furnish the following information :—

(*a*) Are all the Amildars of this State specially trained in the investigation of criminal cases and especially heinous offences ? If not, how can an ordinary clerk who has no experience, when appointed as an Amildar of a taluk or sub-taluk, successfully undertake the investigation in heinous cases and place a final report ?

(*b*) Is it a fact that the Police Inspectors of the taluks in such cases do not undertake any responsibility in the successful detection of heinous cases and think that they have no responsibility to investigate or detect such serious offences ?

(*c*) Is the present system working satisfactorily and if not, will the Government take such steps to relieve the Taluk Amildars from the responsibility of investigation of any criminal offences ?